



NWMAWG National Meeting

December 7 -9, 2010
Raleigh, North Carolina



Tuesday, December 7

Theme: Monitoring and Assessment to Support State and Tribal Wetland Protection

8:00 a.m. **Welcomes and Introductions**

- Michael Scozzafava, US EPA HQ
- Tammy Taylor, CTIC
- Matt Matthews, Chief, Surface Water Protection Section, NC DENR
- Lynda Hall, Chief, Wetland Strategies and State Programs Branch, US EPA

8:30 a.m. **State and Tribal Wetland Regulatory Programs**

Roundtable Discussion: Use of monitoring and assessment information in the development of a state wetland regulatory program

Moderator: Rich Sumner, US EPA

- Michelle Henicheck, VA DEQ
- Tammy Hill, NC DENR
- Barb Scott, KY DOW
- Mick Miccachion, OH EPA
- Ted Walsh, NH DEC

Summary Presentation: John Mack, Cleveland Metroparks

10:00 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. **Watershed Planning and Wildlife Management**

Moderator: Michael Scozzafava, US EPA HQ

- JoAnna Lemly, CO NHP: Wetland Restoration, Conservation, and Wildlife Management
- Alison Rogerson, DE DNREC: Wetland Restoration and Protection in a Watershed Context
- Ted LaGrange, NE Games and Parks: Wetland Restoration, Conservation, and Wildlife Management

12:00 a.m. Lunch

- 1:00 p.m. **State and Regional Intensifications of the NWCA**
Moderator: Gregg Serenbetz, US EPA HQ
- Tom Bernthal, WI
 - Rick Savage, NC
 - Ted LaGrange, NE
 - Mike Bourdaghs, MN
 - Kathleen Walz, NJ
 - Mike Ell, ND
- 2:30 Break
- 3:00 **State and EPA Coordination with USDA, NRCS**
Moderators: Regina Poeske, US EPA Region III and Lenore Vasilas, USDA NRCS HQ
- 3:30 **NWCA Pre-Sampling Activities**
Presenter: Dennis McCauley, Great Lakes Environmental Center
- 3:50 **Pack'em, Track'em, Smack'em: NWCA Data Processing, Shipping and Information Management**
Presenter: Michael Scozzafava, US EPA HQ
- 4:30 **Preparation for the Field Trip**
Presenter: Elizabeth Riley, US EPA HQ
- Logistics
 - Plan for Establishing the AA
- 5:30 Adjourn

Wednesday, December 8

Goal

Demonstrate the National Wetland Condition and Assessment Field Protocols for State and Tribal partners.

Objectives

1. Demonstrate the near final versions of the NWCA field protocols, providing participants with a sense of the level of effort and expertise needed to complete the field protocols
2. Solicit feedback on clarifications needed to finalize the forms

Training Agenda Overview

- 7:45 a.m. Convene at hotel lobby
- 8:00 a.m. Board Buses
- 8:15 a.m. Arrive at Lake Crabtree Park
- 8:30 a.m. Break into pre-assigned groups and head to stations
- 8:45 a.m. Begin **TIMED** rotating demonstration stations (SMALL GROUPS):

Site A:

VEG TEAM 1

- Vegetation Protocols: Joanna Lemly, CO NHP and Brian Gara, OH EPA
- Establishing the Assessment Area and USA-RAM AA Metrics: Elizabeth Riley, EPA

AB TEAM 1

- Soils Protocols: Cat McIntyre, MT NHP (Lenore Vasilas, NRCS on hand for questions)
- Water Quality, Algae, and Hydrology: Regina Poeske, EPA
- Buffer and USA-RAM Buffer Metrics: Greg Serenbetz, EPA

Site B:

VEG TEAM 2

- Vegetation Protocols: Teresa Magee, EPA and Ginny Baker, NC DENR
- Establishing the Assessment Area and USA-RAM AA Metrics: Chris Faulkner, EPA

AB TEAM 2

- Soils Protocols: Mary Anne Thiesing, EPA (Lenore Vasilas, NRCS on hand for questions)
- Water Quality, Algae, and Hydrology: Rick Savage, NC DNR
- Buffer and USA-RAM Buffer Metrics: Janet Nestlerode, EPA

- 10:30 a.m. Break/ Change demonstration station
- 10:45 a.m. Rotating demonstration stations (SMALL GROUPS)
- 12:30 p.m. Boxed Lunch (Provided)
- 1:30 p.m. Rotating demonstration stations (SMALL GROUPS)
- 3:15 p.m. Break/ Change demonstration station
- 3:30 p.m. Rotating demonstration stations (SMALL GROUPS)
- 5:15 p.m. Board Buses- fill out **Training Evaluation**
- 5:30 p.m. Arrive at Hotel

Thursday, December 9th

Theme: NWCA Administration and Logistics

- 9:00 a.m. Convene
- 9:15 a.m. **Feedback on the NWCA Protocols**
Moderator: Michael Scozzafava, US EPA HQ
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. **ASWM Update on Mapping Coalitions**
Presenter: Jane Awl, ASWM
- 11:00 a.m. **Discussion: Activities Post-NWCA**
Moderator: Michael Scozzafava, US EPA HQ
- Data Analysis
 - Post-Sampling Review
- 12:00 p.m. Adjourn